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6th Engineer Support Battalion Conducts River Crossing Operations

Reserve Marines from 6th Engineer Support Battalion, 4th Marine Logistics Group will conduct rafting and river crossing operations at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C. June 24.

The operation will involve tactical rafting of combat logistics battalion personnel and vehicle assets across the New River in the vicinity of Stone Bay and French Creek. This will demonstrate the unit's ability to move a tactical convoy across a water obstacle.

Media are invited to attend this event and will have the opportunity to conduct interviews and take still and video imagery.

This operation is part of an overall larger 4th Marine Logistics Group exercise, Olympic Thrust 2008. More than 1,200 Reserve Marines and Department of Defense personnel from multiple units are conducting various elements of this exercise in several states throughout the U.S. during the month of June.

The purpose of OT-08 is to give 4th MLG units realistic training opportunities to conduct missions in support of Marine Forces Reserve's overall strategic objectives. Additionally, leaders will be able to assess capabilities and operational readiness of participating units.

The 4th MLG is comprised mainly of Reserve Marines and Sailors, although active-duty personnel are assigned to each unit to oversee training, administration and site support.

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